

IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday 13th December 2009

Bereavement We wish to extend our sincerest sympathies

to Breda EI0DJ and Tony EI2AW on the death of Breda's mother Mrs. Kitty O'Flynn who passed away peacefully on 10 December. May she rest in peace.

IRTS Radio News via ATV The IRTS radio news which

is normally broadcast by South Eastern Amateur Radio Group at 9.30 p.m. on Tuesday nights via the Southern Ireland Repeater Network is now available live via the EI8WDT, ATV (television) repeater from Dungarvan, Co. Waterford. A live video feed is available each Tuesday night at www.ei8ffb.com (details and link to EI8FFB are available on the SEARG web site at www.searg.com).

Christmas Island VK9XX Christmas Island VK9XX completed

there expedition last weekend with almost 23,000 QSO confirmed in the log, Congratulations to the 16 EI stations that made it through the Hugh pile ups.

Top of the EI List were EI7BA with 7 bands worked, EI9JF & EI9O with 4 bands worked Congratulations

Wicklow Town Club Formation Lain EI5GN has received

lots of interest in starting up a radio club in Wicklow Town. There is a premises confirmed which is virtually free of charge & it looks like the first meeting is scheduled for January 14th at 20.00pm 2010. More details will be available soon; Lain can be contacted at ei5gniain /at/ gmail.com or at QTHR.

Dublin Radio Club This year's South Dublin Radio Club

Christmas Party will take place next Tuesday the 15th of December. The venue will be the same as last year, "The Morgue", Tempelogue Village from 8.00 pm until late.

Members of other clubs and visitors are as usual very welcome to this social event. Limited free food will be available for paid-up members; visitors can choose from the bar menu until 9.00 pm.

Club Christmas Dinner The North Dublin Radio Club,

Fingal Radio Club and the Howth Martello Radio Group are having a joint Christmas dinner on Saturday 19th December. The restaurant in the Coachman's Inn near Dublin Airport is the venue and the meal will start at 8:30pm. This is the second year that this joint dinner has been organized. Last year's dinner was a great success and so this year it has been decided to invite other amateurs, SWLs and friends. Lapsed members of both clubs would be particularly welcome. Places are limited and early booking is recommended. If interested please email tony /at/ ei0mar.org as soon as possible to make a reservation.

Industry News Scott Robbins, W4PA, of Knoxville,

Tennessee, has signed an agreement to purchase The Vibroplex Company, Inc from present owner Felton 'Mitch' Mitchell, W4OA, effective December 21, 2009.

Vibroplex will move from its present location in Mobile, Alabama to Knoxville, Tenn Robbins - who has been employed with Ten-Tec Inc since 1995 (he has been Product Manager for Ten-Tec's Amateur Radio equipment line since 1997) - will leave his position in mid-December to take over full-time management and ownership of Vibroplex during the last two weeks of December, with a planned opening date of January 5, 2010. Phone numbers email & contact addresses will remain in continuous operation under the new ownership of Vibroplex

Desecheo K5D DVD available The 'KP1-5 Project' have

announced that the long anticipated Desecheo K5D DVD entitled "so rare, so near, yet so far" is now available. This DVD has been five months in production. For more information go to www.kp5.us

3W6C CW OP Required Experienced CW op needed for rare

IOTA DXpedition An international group of operators will be active as 3W6C from Con Co Island (AS-185), Vietnam, between April 10-18th, 2010. The DXpedition has

an opening for one additional experienced CW operator; German language is not required as this is in an International group. Full details about the DXpedition are available at: www.3w6c.qrv.ch Interested operators are requested to send details about background and DXing experience to Hans-Peter at: hb9bxw /at/ 3w6c.qrv.ch Hans-Peter can likewise give further details about expenses, travel, etc

Rallies Phoenix A.R.C The Rally will be held as usual

at Coolmine Community School near Blanchardstown on Sunday 14th February 2010. Doors open from 9am to 2.30pm. Usual traders will be present and to encourage a real Amateur Radio orientated Rally bring and buy tables will be free of charge. For tables contact Tony 087-2349997 or Tom 01-8211043 This is the first rally of the New Year and usually a very enjoyable occasion. Refreshments and plenty of car parking available.

This Week in History

1896 Preece and Marconi first public demo of radio at Toynbee Hall, London.

1901 Marconi received the first transatlantic communication, letter S. On 10 December 1909 Braun and Marconi were given the Nobel Prize for physics for their efforts in wireless communication. 1961 The first amateur satellite, OSCAR I was launched.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Charlie EI8JB, preferably via e-mail to "charlie dot carolan at gmail dot com" Or by phone to 087-6265418 News can also be submitted via e-mail to "newsteam at irts dot ie" for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services. Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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